Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Of course, from Vypeen.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* May I take it that the Road Board can revise its programme.

Mr. President: Yes.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Pazhayannur):* There is no use of placing two or three lakhs. This amount of Rs. 31,000 has not been spent. The lands have not yet been acquired.

Mr. L. M. Pylee *(Latin Christians-Ernakulam):* In view of the assurance of the Chief Engineer that the construction of this road will be begun soon I beg leave of the House to withdraw the motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 20

To extend the Vallithara Thodu.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* *To reduce the allotment of Rs. 12,098 for Subordinate Executive Staff by Re. 1. (The crying need for extending the Vallithara Thodu in Kanjiramattam-Amballoor Village, Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk, to the Mulanthuruthi-Keecheri Road at* ഉഴത്താക്കരി *near the Kanjiramattam Market.)*

സർ, മുളന്തുരുത്തിമുതൽ കീച്ചേരിവരെ ഒരു റോഡുണ്ട്. ആ റോഡിന്റെ കിഴക്കുവശത്താണ് കാഞ്ഞിരമിറ്റം മാർക്കറ്റ്. ആ മാർക്കറ്റിലേക്കുള്ള തോടാണ് വല്ലിത്താറ തോട്. പക്ഷെ ആ തോട് അവിടംവരെ എത്തുന്നില്ല. ഇതുകൊണ്ട് ഇപ്പോൾതന്നെ ജനങ്ങൾക്കു വളരെ ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടുണ്ട്. ഈ റോഡിന്നിന്ന് ഒരു ഫർലോങ്ങ് അകലെ നില്ക്കുന്ന തോട് റോഡിലേക്കു മുട്ടിക്കണമെന്നാണു ഞാൻ ഗവർമ്മെൻറിനോട് അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നതു്. ഇതിൽ വലിയ ചിലവു വരുമെന്ന് എനിക്കു തോന്നുന്നില്ല. ഈ സംഗതിയിൽ ഒയവായി ഗവർമ്മെൻറിന്റെ ദൃഷ്ടി പതിയണമെന്ന് അപേക്ഷിച്ചുകൊണ്ട് ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* I, second it.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I shall look into the matter.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* In view of that assurance I beg leave of the House to withdraw my motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

The House rose for lunch at 1 P. M. and reassemb'ed at 2-30 P. M. with the Hon'ble Deputy President in the Chair.

Cut Motion No. 21.

To open a Canal from Kolancheri thodu to Mulanthuruthi and a road along the side of the Canal.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Sir, I rise to move *to reduce the allotment of Rs. 73,500 for Irrigation by Re. 1—to discuss the necessity of opening a canal from Kolancheri thodu to Mulanthuruthi and a road along the side of the canal.* If I may make it clear

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to the Chief Engineer, the whole position is this. There is the Konath River which goes to Karingachira. It goes even further down and joins the backwaters somewhere about Poothotta and Murinjupuzha. Now the Konath river comes very near to Mulanthuruthi. It is only about three or four furlongs. My proposal is to connect Mulanthuruthi with that river. This was a long-felt grievance. I am sure the Chief Engineer will have records to show that the people have prayed for that. I pray that a thodu may be opened so that Mulanthuruthi may be connected with Konath River. If the thodu cannot be extended as far as Mulanthuruthi at least it may be extended as far as possible.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* On a point of information may I know whether the thodu if constructed will connect Mulanthuruthi with Cochin Harbour?

*__Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon__ *(Chief Engineer):* It will. But it has got one obstruction of its own. That is the Konath Bund. From the month of Vrischigam the Konath river will be bunded in its curves and therefore through boat traffic will be impossible. But it will help considerably to bring Mulanthuruthi nearer to the Harbour by means of boats. This question was considered many years ago and a cost report of about Rs. 15,000 has been prepared for this work. It has not been done. But I shall see that this question is taken up again.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 22.

To cut a canal to the backwaters to let off excess water from Kizhakkumpurampadam etc., etc.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* I rise to move *to reduce the allotment of Rs. 73,500 for Irrigation by Re. 1—to bring to the notice of the Government the need for cutting a canal to the backwater to let off excess water from Kizhakkumpurampadam lying in the eastern portion of Irumpanam, Thiruvankulam, Kadungamangalam and Kureekad and from the Kaniyavallippadam.* In moving this motion I have to make clear one or two points. Kaniyavallippadam can be located by the House if I refer to Karingachira just on the western side of the Hill Palace. There is excess of water there during the rainy season. There has been a long-felt cry to let off that excess water. I may also say that the waters from Chithrapuzha also find a way to this padam, which in its totality consists of over 50,000 paras of paddy lands. It may be even a lakh of paras of paddy lands from Chithrapuzha. All these niloms are affected by this excess water. Really we may cut this motion into two. First of all a cannal is required from Kaniyavalli. Then another canal has to be cut from the padam which lies on the eastern side of Thiruvankulam, i. e., from Irumpanam to Chottanikkara. During the monsoon these fields will look like a backwater. The

*Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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